

Delivery of voter registration applications
(SB 1266 by Barrientos/Glossbrenner)

DIGEST: SB 1266 would have permitted all deputy registrars to mail in completed voter registration applications or to designate another volunteer deputy registrar to deliver them in person. (Under current law all deputies except high school principals must deliver applications in person.) The separate provision for principals would have remained unchanged.

GOVERNOR'S
REASON
FOR VETO:

The governor said delivery of applications by mail would open the registration process to the potential of massive abuse because there would be no way to verify compliance with applicable legal requirements.

AUTHOR'S
VIEW:

Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos said the governor's veto of a measure designed to ease voter registration suggests that he hopes to help the Republican Party by limiting the number of people who register. The governor's contention that mail-in delivery of registration applications would lead to "massive abuse" of the registration process is "massive misuse of logic," said Sen. Barrientos.

NOTES:

The House Research Organization analysis of the companion bill, HB 2419 by Glossbrenner, appeared in the May 21, 1987 Daily Floor Report.